Construction of road gauge line from Macherla to Raichur

3735. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for the construction of a Broad Gauge railway line from Macherla to Raichur; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to undertake as a first step construction of Broad Gauge line from Gadwal to Raichur which is less than 30 Kms. and would link this large area with Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Survey to determine financial implications of a new B.G. line from Macherla to Raichur via Gadwal has been taken up. Further action will be considered on completion of survey.

Targets of family planning by the end of the century

3736. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the targetted goals to e achieved in the Family Planning Programme by the end of this century; and

(b) what new steps Government proposes to take to achieve these goals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) The goals for the year 2000 AD as enshrined in the National Health Policy in respect of Family Planning Programme are as follows:

(i) Net Reproduction Rate—1.

(ii) Effective Couple Protection Rate—60 per cent.

(iii) Birth—21 per thousand population.

(iv) Family size—2.3.

(b) Main steps to achieve goals set under the Family Welfare Programme are: increasing demand for contraception through improved communication approaches; expanding and improving the quality of out-reach services; promoting greater community participation through the involvement of voluntary organisations; intensifying population education; enhancing child survival prospects, improving programme management; raising the status of fomen and establishing intersectoral linkages for promoting family planning.

Availability of leprosy and tuberculosis etc. under National Health Programme

3737. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the position of availability of essential drugs for the National Programme to control leprosy, tuberculosis etc.; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to ensure that there is no short-fall in the supply?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) All essential drugs for the National Programmes to control leprosy and tuberculosis are available.

(b) Does not arise.

Low rent for anganbadi unit in Delhi

3738. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: